

C. OF C. VOTES ON TARIFF POLICY

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CONGRESS VIEWS OF THE
NATION.

As one of the 1,400 business organizations making up the membership of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the Alma Chamber of Commerce is preparing to vote on a suggested tariff policy for the United States. The country-wide ballot is being taken by the National Chamber for the purpose of giving to Congress the views of American business as to the principles that should govern any new tariff law that is to be enacted.

The vote is on a set of recommendations made by a committee of the United States Chamber which gave the subject study over a period of months. The committee proposals approach the tariff question from the standpoint of the national commercial welfare. If accepted they would in some instances mean a departure from traditional tariff principles and practices.

The proposals to be voted on are: Legislation should permit, in the event of changes of economic factors, adjustment of tariff rates by administrative authorities within limits prescribed by Congress for the purpose of maintaining a consistent tariff policy.

Creation of a Tariff Adjustment Board to administer adjustable rates. Reasonable protection for American industries subject to destructive competition from abroad and of benefit to any considerable section of the country.

The anti-dumping legislation of May, 1921, should be maintained in principle.

The principle of maintenance and encouragement of our export trade should be observed in tariff legislation of American industries of benefit to any considerable section of the country and subject to destructive competition from abroad.

Tariff legislation should be framed and administered with a view to meeting discriminations, direct or indirect, by other countries against American trade.

The present system of valuation for duty of ad valorem duties should be maintained and the so-called "American Valuation" should not be adopted.

Do you favor a postponement of general tariff revision until conditions in international trade and finance are sufficiently stabilized to form a basis for legislation possessing permanent value?

The members of the committee that made the report are Harry A. Wheeler, vice-president Union Trust Co., Chicago, chairman; Julius H. Barnes, wheat exporter, New York; W. L. Clause, chairman Pittsburg Plate Glass Co., Pittsburgh; Thomas H. Ford, Marshall Field & Co., Chicago; Emory H. Johnson, dean, Wharton School of Finance, Philadelphia; Van H. Manning, director of research, American Petroleum Co., New York; Harvey J. Sauer, agriculturist, Sidel, Illinois; Alexander W. Smith, lawyer, Alton; Geo. Ed. Smith, president Royal Typewriter Co., New York; George M. Swetland, president United Publishers Corp., New York; Van A. Wallin, transportation executive, Bangor, Maine.

The Committee was unanimous except with the American valuation which Mr. Clause favored.

Sheep Need Careful Winter Feed Ration

Correct feeding of sheep when the flock is put into winter quarters plays an important part in the production of good wool, according to Don Williams, extension specialist in sheep raising at the Michigan Agricultural College.

"The flock should be fed liberally and regularly when it is put into winter quarters," says Williams in discussing the feeding question. "The rations should be adapted, and should be governed somewhat by the condition of the ewes when they come off full feed. If they are to be carried through the winter on roughage, feed a good grade of legume hay, and if available, a small amount of silage.

"A month or six weeks prior to lambing time, some grain should be fed to the ewes to improve their condition and stimulate a good flow of milk. A ration of three pounds clover hay and two pounds silage will do to feed through the winter, with the addition of either of the following grain rations about six weeks before lambing time: (1) one-half pound of bran and one-half pound of oats; (2) one-half to one pound of the following: 5 parts corn, 3 parts oats, 2 parts wheat bran, and 1 part oil meal."

Importance of good breeding and care is also emphasized by the college specialist in the production of better wool in the state.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER
I wish to announce that I will be a candidate at the primaries for the Republican nomination for County Treasurer. If nominated and elected my entire time and attention will be given to the discharge of the duties of the office.

Belle J. Price,
(Mrs. Charles A. Price)

We would be pleased to show you samples of Caneau coal. Brown-Ward Co., phone 27-6006.

Order of Services At The Churches

St. Mary's Catholic Church
CHRISTMAS DAY
12 Midnight (Christmas Eve) High mass. Second mass at 11:00 a. m. Christmas Day.
Rev. John A. Mulvey, Pastor.

Free Methodist Church
Corner of Center and Cedar
Rev. E. Mellett, Pastor
The Sunday School will give a Christmas program beginning at 9:30 a. m.
Prayering at 11 a. m. Subject "A Christmas Message."
Prayering in the evening at 7:00. Young People's Bible Study at 6:00 p. m.
Everybody welcome to all of these services.

The Salvation Army
Envoy C. Glassbrook and wife, officers in charge.
Services—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 7:45 p. m.
Open air meetings in usual place 7:15 p. m. when weather permits.
Sunday Services—
Holiness meeting—10 a. m.
Sunday School 1:30.
Young People's Meeting 6:15.
The Great Battle for Souls 7:45.
We believe in the old time religion and the blood atonement of Jesus Christ. Everybody welcome.

First Baptist Church
Edw. E. Shouffer, Pastor, 123 W. Downie St.

CHRISTMAS DAY
10:00 a. m.—Divine Worship. Sermon topic, "The Spirit of Christmas." All the boys and girls of the Sunday school and congregation are urged to attend as the above topic is especially interesting to the children.

11:15 a. m.—Sunday School. May we close the year with the largest attendance of the year. Don't forget "Willing Workers Win."

6:00 p. m.—B. Y. P. U. meeting. An interesting and attractive service is being planned.

7:00 p. m.—A special service. Good music by the Young People's Chorus. Baptismal services will be held at the close of the service.

The annual meeting of the church will be held in connection with the fellowship supper on Thursday night, Jan. 5th.

The "Week of Prayer Services" are announced elsewhere. The Christmas program will be given Friday night at 7 o'clock.
Everybody welcome.

CHRISTMAS SONG SERVICE

A special Christmas song service has been planned for Sunday evening in the Presbyterian church. The music will be furnished by "The Sunday School Glee Club" and in place of the sermon a reading will be given of Van Dyke's "Mansion." The program will be as follows:

Prelude.
Prelude—Mrs. Don Smith.
Hymn—"O come, all ye faithful."
Announcements.
Song—"Keep on Believing," by the Glee Club.
Offertory.
Song—"Face to Face," by the Glee Club.
Scripture.
Prayer.
Solo—"Noel" by Marion Grover.
Reading—"The Mansion," by the pastor.
Song—"The Star of Bethlehem" by the Glee Club.
Benediction.

A cordial invitation is extended to young and old to attend this service. In the morning at 11 o'clock the theme of the sermon will be "Great Joy." Christmas music and decorations will characterize the service.

The regular Christmas exercises for the Sunday school will be held this week Thursday at 7:00 o'clock in the church auditorium.

Methodist Episcopal Church
Christmas Week Program:
Friday evening, 7:00 o'clock—Sunday school Christmas exercises.
Sunday 10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
Sunday 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. Christmas message and music.
Sunday 6 p. m.—Epworth League Christmas service.

Sunday 7 p. m.—A White Christmas program given by the Sunday school.
Cordial invitation to all these services.

Matt. W. Duffey, minister.

First Church of Christ Scientist
Alma, Mich., 511 North Park Ave.
Subject: Christian Science.
Lesson Sermon—10:30.
Sunday School—9:30.
Wednesday testimony meeting 7:30.
The Christian Science Reading Room located at 113 1/2 West Superior street is open daily except Sundays from 2:30 to 5 o'clock.
The public is cordially invited to the services and to the reading room.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. WM. ANDERSON

"Tears meet that flowers should line her tomb.
The loveliest and the best
Were none too fair, were none too rare,
To grace her place of rest.
She loved them with a wealth of love,
And with no rugged hand
Scattered and spread them far and wide,
To gladden all the land."

She reigned, a queen within their realm,
And lovingly today
A hundred hearts and hands would weave
For her a crown of lay,
Her memory long shall dwell on be,
Her name a household word,
With such sweet memories following it,
As breathe from rose-leaves stirred.

But, O, how well to know that while
Earth's flowerets claimed her care,
She made secure her title deeds
To Heaven with flowers more fair.

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Christmas Is Children's Day

THE message of Christmas is love. Its emblem is radiant, thankful, contented childhood. Without love and without children there could be no real Christmas. The form might survive but the substance would be lacking.

Unhappy must be the adult who cannot make himself a child again in spirit at the Yuletide. For Christmas is the universal children's day. Men and women are superfluous except as they make themselves partners with those whom the day glorifies.

Let us, then, lay aside the affectation and arrogance of manhood and womanhood and be children again. Let us adopt their point of view and put ourselves in their places—in the places of these sons and daughters of ours and of the sons and daughters of our neighbors. It was only a year or so ago, as it seems, when we hung our well-worn stockings in a row along the mantel shelf, while our fathers and mothers looked on with unfeigned pleasure at the innocent confidence we showed in the morrow.

Even as you and I. It all comes back in a flood of memories. Life was simpler then. Our desires were less pretensions than those our children voice now. Modest remembrances they were that bulged too and heet of the stockings mother knit.

Life and its circumstances change, but the essence of Christmas never. The same happy childhood, the same restlessness, the same small-like creeping of time as the holiday approaches. The same parenthood, too—the same planning across the reading table after the boys and girls are abed, the same loving consideration of what this or that child most desires and how far the family purse can be stretched to permit some further purchase.

Every home is assured a Christmas if it has a great, warm heart pulsating in tune with the hopes and joys of childhood.

CAROLS AS PART OF THE CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

THE origin of the Christmas carol is uncertain. It is probably as old as Christianity. Indeed, Bishop Taylor in his "Great Exemplar" remarks that the first carol is the hymn of the angels to the shepherds in the plains of Bethlehem:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." In the fifteenth century carols were widely used throughout Europe. In fact, the first pieces printed by the very first printers were carols. In one of the oldest collections appears "The Boar's Head," which used to be sung as that old dish was carried to the table during the Christmas revelry:

The Boar's Head in hand I bring
With garlands gay and birds singing:
I pray you all to help me sing
"Qui tollis in convivio!"

"The Boar's Head" represents one of the convivial carols or "jolly chansons," which had their place at the feasts, dances and other gay festivities of the Christmas season.

In Shakespeare's time bands of itinerant singers used to wander about the streets and make their carols a pretext for getting money.

During the eighteenth century carols declined greatly, and many of the quaint old customs which had marked Christmas festivals for centuries became obsolete.

Carols still exist in parts of England.

In Wales it has been preserved to a still greater extent, while Ireland, too, has her Christmas caroling in time-honored style. France has its "Noels," and in Italy Christmas carols have been sung since the time of St. Francis of Assisi, who discovered the power of sacred song in the vernacular.

In churches all over the world many of the delightful old carols are now a part of the Christmas service.

Good Reason, Too.

At Christmas the children of a certain provincial school tried to collect money by going from house to house singing carols and snatches of hymns. Many complaints reached the rector's ears of bands of youngsters scampering through the first verse of "White Shepherd Watched," and then violently ringing the doorbell. So he instituted inquiries on the next occasion, he visited the school.

"Why is it," he asked, "that, instead of singing the hymn in a reverent way, you scamper through one verse and then ring the bell?"

Silence reigned for a short time. Then a shrill voice from a small boy at the back of the room was heard in explanation:

"Please, sir, it's 'cause they always lets the dog loose at the second verse."

Charity in the Heart.

'Tis the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial fire of charity in the heart.—Washington Irving.

Christmas.

The origin of Christmas or Christ's-mass, so called with reference to the last words of the chief religious service of the day according to ancient ritual, "Te ulla (or massa) est," is to be found in the second chapter of St. Luke's Gospel. Its observance is not a development, having existed from the earliest days of Christianity. In fact, in many respects there has been devotion instead of evolution in the manner of its celebration.

Classified Ads

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WANTED—Carloads of baled hay. Phone me and I will come and see your hay. O. A. Kates, phone 490, Alma, Mich. 209 E. Downie St. 30c

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MISCELLANEOUS

NOTICE—We will have on display a quantity of cut flowers and plants and green wreaths on sale at Brunner's Drug store until Christmas. Come and select your Christmas flowers. J. C. Pardee, Florist, 302c

NOTICE—I do all kinds of carpenter work, large or small jobs, also cabinet work and furniture repairing. Frank Hines, 112 Moyer Ave, Phone 19. 31-tf-2p

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FOR SALE—Large pure bred white Rock cockerels, \$1.50 each if taken before Jan. 10. Call or phone Mrs. Ethel Divilbiss, Forest Hill, Mich. 31-2p

FOR SALE—One 1900 Reo truck, 1 Dodge, 6 Fords, 1 Ford truck, 1 '23' Overland. All in good shape. We will sell at right prices. Parts for all kinds of cars. 31-2c

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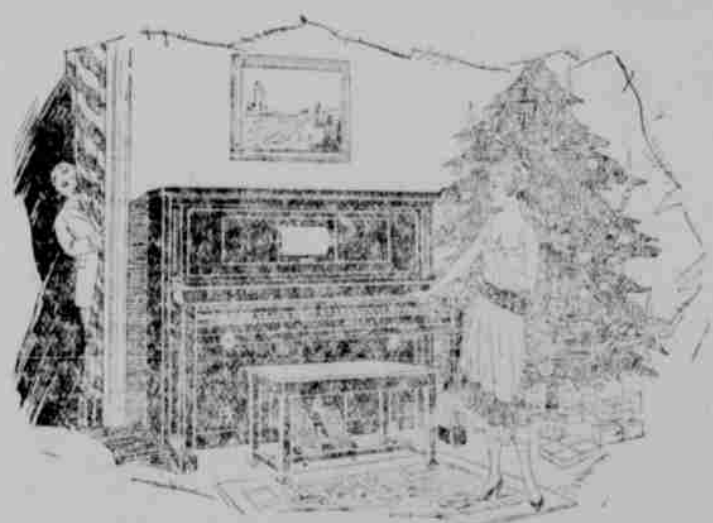
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